Docket No.: 5486-0125PUS1

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Alexander TORONE et al.

Application No.: 10/809,088 Confirmation No.: 7665

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For: SETTINGS AND CONSTRAINTS Examiner: S. Memula

VALIDATION TO ENABLE DESIGN FOR

OPERATIONS

PETITION AND FEE TO ACCEPT AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120 FOR PRIORITY OF AN EARLIER FILED COPENDING APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3))

MS: Petition

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Petition is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) to insert a claim for priority of an earlier filed U. S. nonprovisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and to insert a claim for priority to an earlier filed U.S. provisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

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1. **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

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Before the heading "FIELD OF THE INVENTION," please insert the following heading and paragraph:

-- CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Continuation-In-Part of prior Application No. 10/789,440 filed on February 26, 2004, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,072,807, and therefore claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to this prior application, and further claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on prior U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/452,736 filed on March 6, 2003.--

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2. This amendment and petition is to insert a claim for priority of an earlier filed U. S. non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and in turn the earlier filed Provisional Application to which the non-provisional application claims priority.

Add a claim for priority in this application to the following U. S. applications:

Application No.	Filing Date	Patent No. (if any)	Issue Date (if any)
10/789,440 60/452,736	February 26, 2004 March 6, 2003	7,072,807B2	July 4, 2006

3. Statement Regarding Unintentional Delay

The entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.78(a)(2)(i) and 1.78(a)(5)(ii) and the date this claim was filed was unintentional on the part of Applicants.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee as set forth in (37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17(t)) to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under; particularly, extension of time fees.

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If this Petition is in anyway considered deficient, the Examiner is requested to 5. contact the undersigned to discuss and attempt to rectify these deficiencies.

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